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MR. SPEAKER:

I move that House Bill 1555 be amended to read as follows:

- 1 Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new
2 paragraph and insert:
3 "SECTION 1. IC 5-10-8-7.4 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
4 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
5 1, 2001]: **Sec. 7.4. (a) As used in this section, "covered individual"**
6 **means an individual who is:**
7 **(1) covered under a self-insurance program established under**
8 **section 7(b) of this chapter to provide group health coverage;**
9 **or**
10 **(2) entitled to health services under a contract with a prepaid**
11 **health care delivery plan that is entered into or renewed**
12 **under section 7(c) of this chapter.**
13 **(b) A self-insurance program established under section 7(b) of**
14 **this chapter to provide health care coverage must provide a**
15 **covered individual who is less than eighteen (18) years of age with**
16 **coverage for the cost of a hearing aid.**
17 **(c) A contract with a prepaid health care delivery plan that is**
18 **entered into or renewed under section 7(c) of this chapter must**
19 **provide a covered individual who is less than eighteen (18) years of**
20 **age with coverage for the cost of a hearing aid.**
21 **(d) The coverage required by subsections (b) and (c) may not be**
22 **subject to dollar limits, deductibles, copayments, or coinsurance**
23 **provisions that are greater than dollar limits, deductibles,**
24 **copayments or coinsurance established for similar benefits under**

1 a self-insurance program or contract with a health maintenance
2 organization."

3 Page 20, between lines 4 and 5, begin a new paragraph and insert:
4 "SECTION 12. IC 27-8-14.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
5 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
6 JULY 1, 2001]:

7 **Chapter 14.2. Coverage of Hearing Aids**

8 **Sec. 1. (a) As used in this chapter, "accident and sickness
9 insurance" means an insurance policy that:**

- 10 (1) provides one (1) or more of the types of insurance
11 described in IC 27-1-5-1, Classes 1(b) and 2(a); and
12 (2) is issued on a group basis.

13 **(b) The term does not include the following:**

- 14 (1) A policy providing accident only, credit, dental, vision,
15 Medicare, Medicare supplement, long term care, or disability
16 income insurance.
17 (2) A policy providing coverage issued as a supplement to
18 liability insurance.
19 (3) A policy providing automobile medical payment insurance.
20 (4) A specified disease policy.
21 (5) A limited benefit health insurance policy.
22 (6) A short term insurance plan that:
23 (A) may not be renewed; and
24 (B) has a duration of not more than six (6) months.
25 (7) A policy that provides a stipulated daily, weekly, or
26 monthly payment to an insured during hospital confinement,
27 without regard to the actual expense of the confinement.
28 (8) A policy providing worker's compensation or similar
29 insurance.
30 (9) A student health insurance policy.

31 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "insured" means an individual
32 who is entitled to coverage under a policy of accident and sickness
33 insurance.**

34 **Sec. 3. An accident and sickness insurance policy must provide
35 coverage for the cost of a hearing aid that is prescribed to an
36 insured who is less than eighteen (18) years of age.**

37 **Sec. 4. The coverage required under this chapter may not be
38 subject to dollar limits, deductibles, or coinsurance provisions that
39 are greater than the dollar limits, deductibles, or coinsurance
40 provisions established for similar benefits under the health
41 insurance plan. If the plan does not cover a similar benefit, the
42 dollar limits, deductibles, or coinsurance provisions may not be set
43 at a level that materially diminishes the value of the hearing aid
44 benefit required by this chapter."**

45 Page 38, between lines 25 and 26, begin a new paragraph and insert:
46 "SECTION 22. IC 27-13-7-14.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
47 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS

1 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: Sec. 14.7. (a) A group contract with a
 2 health maintenance organization that provides basic health care
 3 services must provide an enrollee who is less than eighteen (18)
 4 years of age with coverage for the cost of a hearing aid.

5 (b) The coverage required under this section may not be subject
 6 to dollar limits, deductibles, copayments, or coinsurance provisions
 7 that are less favorable to an enrollee than the dollar limits,
 8 deductibles, copayments, or coinsurance provisions established for
 9 similar benefits under the contract with the health maintenance
 10 organization. If the contract does not cover a similar benefit, the
 11 dollar limits, deductibles, or coinsurance provisions may not be set
 12 at a level that materially diminishes the value of the hearing aid
 13 benefit required by this section."

14 Page 47, after line 10, begin a new paragraph and insert:

15 "SECTION 40. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001] (a) IC 5-10-8-7.4, as
 16 added by this act, applies to all self-insurance programs or
 17 contracts with prepaid health care delivery plans established,
 18 issued, renewed, delivered, or entered into after June 30, 2001.

19 (b) IC 27-8-14.2, as added by this act, applies to all accident and
 20 sickness insurance policies issued, renewed, delivered, or entered
 21 into after June 30, 2001.

22 (c) IC 27-13-7-14.7, as added by this act, applies to all group
 23 contracts with health maintenance organizations entered into,
 24 renewed, delivered, or issued after June 30, 2001.

25 (d) This SECTION expires June 30, 2005."

26 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to HB 1555 as printed February 9, 2001.)

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